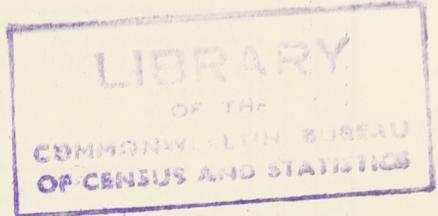


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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1949-50, 1950-51, 1951-52 and 1952-53 and monthly production for December, 1952 to February, 1953 and December, 1953 to February, 1954 are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. Figures up to 1951-52 inclusive are taken from the Government Statist's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

The scope of the Bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

The following symbols are used in this bulletin:-

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Statistics of the following items are collected by the Authorities shown. All other items are collected by the Commonwealth or State Statistician.

Superphosphate	Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.
Black Coal	Joint Coal Board.
Gold	State Department of Mines.
Beer Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes	Commonwealth Department of Trade and Customs.
Sawn Native Timber	Forestry and Timber Bureau.

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Commodity	Unit	Monthly Averages				∅ Monthly Production					
		Year				1953			1954		
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FUEL: Briquettes	ton	49,047	42,617	47,354	45,422	38,285	42,489	48,321	38,038	38,138	47,805
Black Coal	"	10,762	10,430	12,023	12,933	10,689	11,244	r 13,979	8,912	12,068	
Brown Coal	"	636,410	608,347	674,692	675,113	595,647	610,259	r 635,164	624,497	632,434	651,871
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:											
Gas made in Gasworks	mill.cub.ft.	896	954	1,044	1,100	999	907	873	1,007	919	931
Total Electricity Generated	mill.k.w.h.	226	240	247	264	242	233	239	277	267	274
BUILDING MATERIALS:											
Clay Bricks	'000	12,240	14,880	15,434	13,544	11,872	10,632	12,826	14,801	13,776	14,992
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq.yds.	504	551	610	512	436	400	r 516	439	357	521
Roofing Tiles - Cement	'000	1,595	1,894	1,934	1,363	1,074	920	1,295	1,247	910	1,374
Terra Cotta	"	1,023	1,025	1,035	1,212	1,020	891	1,235	1,049	976	1,207
SAWN NATIVE TIMBER:	'000 sup.ft.	25,733	27,470	29,113	23,855	16,535	19,377	26,116	20,611	16,818	
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:											
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	gal.	100,095	121,956	120,943	r 97,972	99,447	84,077	113,622	125,295	89,438	119,212
Lacquers (Nitro-Cell)	"	20,996	27,146	23,633	r 17,501	17,914	13,676	23,930	21,332	16,426	21,223
Thinner for Lacquers	"	30,603	37,738	39,165	37,487	35,359	31,541	47,491	44,754	36,396	42,125
Enamels (Nat. & Syn.)	"	42,821	39,130	48,464	44,055	48,599	33,241	r 44,867	53,578	40,776	49,606
Water Paints	'000 lb.	117	118	157	r 386	413	443	519	797	597	735
Soap - Household	cwt.	16,745	18,589	18,748	16,823	13,916	12,093	18,159	10,736	7,957	10,179
Toilet & Hand	"	3,798	4,650	4,519	3,748	3,086	3,586	4,602	2,785	1,781	2,885
Flakes & Chips	"	1,715	2,763	2,310	2,528	1,963	1,178	2,655	5,371	1,508	2,707
Industrial	"	2,523	5,268	3,148	2,726	2,585	2,027	r 3,116	2,836	1,949	3,160
Sand	"	750	1,120	890	661	723	321	268	351	539	785
Soft	"	522	650	729	568	485	446	392	863	641	613
Liquid	"	1,369	2,333	2,818	2,469	2,426	2,367	2,440	2,774	1,943	2,848
Extracts & Powders	"	22,265	25,782	32,485	30,883	28,470	23,861	34,240	27,295	18,304	31,016
Superphosphate	ton	52,069	51,257	52,750	47,616	47,709	36,563	39,983	54,729	47,529	51,660
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	"	19,836	20,165	20,234	18,538	17,580	14,174	16,957	19,179	19,164	20,684
METALS: - Gold (Mine Production)	fine oz.	5,532	5,809	5,343	5,812	7,130	4,447	6,169	4,932	4,525	
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc.Pushers & Strollers)	number	4,051	4,577	3,277	3,823	3,842	2,519	3,966	4,981	2,736	4,317

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		Year				1952	1953	1954	1952	1953	1954
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
MATTRESSES:											
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring (a)	Number	5,694	6,158	6,679	7,659	8,581	4,998	9,310	8,491	5,685	7,722
Inner Spring	"	5,115	6,619	7,725	9,384	10,718	7,668	10,962	12,904	7,805	11,367
Soft Filled	"	)	)	)	)				(	6,863	3,518
Rubber	"	)	9,974	10,950	9,027	8,310	8,329	6,222	r 9,095	959	725
Other	"	)	)	)	)				(	2,828	522
ENGINES: - Other than Marine - Petrol and Other Light Oils - 2 H.P. and under 6 H.P.	"	383	379	371	360	339	293	515	214	n.a.	n.a.
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (b)	"										
Under 1 H.P.	"	4,971	6,549	8,260	7,764	6,830	4,668	r 7,866	11,673	7,727	12,946
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	"	828	734	610	434	291	503	r 219	779	319	570
2½ " " 5 H.P.	"	429	371	312	167	114	170	132	160	101	210
5 " " 10 H.P.	"	122	178	172	103	108	58	121	71	38	119
10 " and over	"	43	42	52	43	45	19	47	41	27	43
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES:	"										
Toasters (Domestic)	"	7,370	6,991	7,308	6,021	7,483	4,793	7,236	7,268	5,537	5,061
Hot Water Jugs (Complete)	"	12,431	11,953	12,437	6,852	7,289	3,441	9,782	12,470	6,459	9,005
Radios and Radiograms	"	8,181	10,956	7,639	7,803	6,539	5,327	r 8,215	9,681	6,692	8,360
Domestic Clothes Washing Machines	"	n.a.	364	624	699	891	385	745	1,006	793	965
BUILDING FITTINGS:	"										
Stoves - Solid Fuel	"	1,115	1,360	1,307	1,094	882	634	1,040	918	652	947
Gas	"	1,393	1,357	1,107	900	889	650	873	873	596	810
Coppers - Gas	"	810	836	577	533	375	359	628	499	300	471
Electric	"	326	840	468	226	244	n.a.	192	246	206	322
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	"	798	794	752	528	453	328	r 480	509	354	435
Gas	"	850	717	551	557	338	401	613	578	477	589
Electric	"	41	370	263	241	235	140	r 230	169	147	191
Sink Heaters - Electric	"	467	750	476	348	348	205	r 271	323	354	517
Sinks, Stainless Steel	"	4,160	5,362	5,744	5,934	4,621	3,770	r 5,707	5,869	4,326	6,098
PEDAL CYCLES: (made and/or assembled)	"	n.a.	3,874	2,348	2,149	4,720	1,334	2,419	5,274	1,585	1,915
FLOOR COVERINGS:	'000 sq.yds.	132	137	192	148	111	83	161	189	84	191

(a) Figures prior to 1951-52 do not include mattresses made and incorporated in stretchers and folding beds.
 (b) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.

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(a) Includes Worsted and Woollen Mixtures and other mixtures predominantly of Wool.

(b) Made in knitting mills until June 1952. Thereafter includes underwear made from knitted piece goods.

Commodity	Unit	Monthly Averages				∅ Monthly Production					
		Year				1952	1953	1954	1953	1954	1954
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:											
Flour (from Wheat)	short ton	37,315	37,407	46,600	49,226	45,113	49,776	45,622	31,777	33,134	32,089
Bran (from Wheat)	"	7,466	7,259	9,136	9,334	8,775	9,375	8,779	5,636	6,029	6,689
Pollard (from Wheat)	"	7,658	7,424	9,336	10,515	10,204	11,151	9,630	6,644	6,607	6,740
Biscuits	'000 lb.	2,786	2,818	3,327	3,151	3,141	2,135	3,430	3,401	2,257	3,268
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	"	2,666	2,221	1,898	1,755	1,001	997	1,437	1,520	1,097	1,560
Other	"	2,128	2,100	2,317	2,244	1,854	1,584	2,054	2,317	1,390	2,044
Beef and Veal	ton	10,384	11,384	11,437	10,177	9,748	9,383	r 10,068	11,244	11,317	11,963
Lamb	"	5,582	3,917	3,686	4,914	9,620	4,133	r 2,946	7,754	5,133	2,978
Mutton	"	6,773	4,670	5,396	7,689	11,069	11,204	r 11,292	9,937	10,445	10,134
Pork	"	554	633	726	583	1,108	492	r 526	1,074	533	583
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight) (a)	"	661	659	747	678	880	531	584	737	517	509
Total Meat (in terms of fresh) (a)	"	24,401	21,500	22,261	24,332	33,126	25,956	r 25,649	31,011	28,131	26,350
Butter (factory only)	"	5,249	4,832	4,936	4,772	8,439	6,755	4,808	9,299	6,854	5,332
Cheese (factory only)	"	1,766	1,881	1,853	1,876	3,502	2,745	1,804	4,083	2,907	2,018
Processed Milk Products -											
Condensed Full-Cream Milk - Sweetened	'000 lb.	}	6,796	7,358	6,231	12,627	8,658	5,488	11,119	6,015	4,616
Unsweetened	"		7,076	1,657	2,486	1,827	1,463	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Powdered Full-Cream Milk	"	2,803	2,165	2,232	2,221	4,159	2,893	1,751	3,491	2,683	2,021
Other Processed Wholemilk Products (b)	"	1,289	1,799	1,978	1,435	1,995	2,387	1,852	3,569	3,469	2,403
Ice Cream	'000 gals.	328	429	407	342	570	628	517	625	688	458
Beer (including Waste Beer)	"	4,143	4,434	4,706	5,056	6,293	6,057	5,462	6,838	6,236	4,353
Oatmeal & Rolled or Crushed Oats	cwt.	15,128	13,478	10,273	13,171	8,179	7,902	r 15,007	10,468	10,872	17,183
Prepared Breakfast Foods (from Wheat)	"	12,222	11,018	11,674	11,314	11,689	10,105	12,646	11,998	9,010	11,285
Edible Starch (Maize and Wheat)	"	7,997	7,799	8,237	7,053	6,195	5,756	7,839	7,677	8,095	9,021
Margarine - Table	"	1,569	886	1,308	1,465	1,201	674	601	1,562	1,014	1,216
Other	"	6,926	5,507	6,973	5,506	4,543	3,219	4,105	4,235	2,389	5,116
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	'000 (c)	307	309	327	347	327	303	291	361	288	319
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (d)	'000 lb.	5,917	5,848	4,827	3,401	3,662	10,716	7,018	2,271	8,878	8,902
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (d)	"	7,954	8,511	10,368	9,273	563	12,513	22,087	653	21,859	29,694
Green Peas	"	225	282	383	239	1,748	70	n.a.	1,434	..	n.a.
Tomatoes	"	377	237	403	194	..	n.a.	750	..	..	71
Other Vegetables	"	1,572	2,355	2,615	1,002	1,026	699	482	1,227	688	711
Tomato Juice	'000 gals.	34	13	50	101	n.a.	319	398	..	3	158
Sauce	"	136	130	134	111	76	65	224	88	65	105
Soup	"	176	206	266	154	15	51	402	115	n.a.	377
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes	'000 lb.	869	914	1,004	981	913	926	1,051	992	973	

(a) From February, 1953 onwards, pressed and canned bacon and ham have been converted to bone-in weight.

(b) Includes Infants' and Invalids' Food. (c) Bushels of 40 lb. (d) Includes Tasmanian Production.